

## Pet Information

(Below are questions that previous incoming interns had concerning their move to Hawai'i and the Graduate Medical Office response to these questions. Please review the following to see if your question has been answered before.)

Please check the [State of Hawai'i Agriculture Web site](#) for information on bringing your pets to Hawai'i.

**Question:** I have a small parrot that is coming with me to Hawai'i, do you have any information about requirements I have to complete for him to accompany me?

**Response:** My wife sent the following query to the State's Department of Agriculture yesterday outlining her understanding of the requirements:

**From:** XXXXXX

**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2006 12:13 PM

**To:** Idcimp.comp@verizon.net; [hdoaic@hawaii.gov](mailto:hdoaic@hawaii.gov)

**Subject:** Questions Regarding Importing a Parrot to Hawaii from the Mainland

I am assisting a physician relocate to Hawaii from the mainland. After reading your Web site, I am a little confused about the requirements for importing a parrot from the mainland to Hawai'i. I want to make sure everything is done correctly so the physician's parrot has a smooth entry. This is what I understand. Also, I have a couple questions in [brackets]:

### 2 Permits Necessary

(1) Import Permit (from the Plant Quarantine Branch); your Web site states it must be completed in advance. [How far in advance? Must he send this permit to you before the bird arrives, or carry it with him on the day the parrot arrives?]

(2) Poultry and Bird Import Permit--West Nile Virus Permit--(Livestock and Disease Control Branch) Certificate of Veterinary Inspection, stating the following:

- parrot has been isolated for 7 days (within 36 hours of entry to Hawaii)
- parrot has not received any live agent vaccinations within 60 days of entry to Hawaii
- leg band number must be annotated on documentation
- [After deplaning, will the bird be inspected at the airport, or transported to another location?]
- [Must they arrive at a specific time (or can they arrive any

time)?]

-- [Will the bird be kept at his home for the 30-day isolation period, or at the quarantine station (or certified veterinary clinic)?]

Thank you very much for your assistance.

This was the response from the Department of Agriculture:

**From:** HDOAIC@hawaii.gov [mailto:HDOAIC@hawaii.gov]

**Sent:** Monday, March 27, 2006 6:54 PM

**To:** XXXXXX

**Subject:** Pre-import requirements for pet birds entering Hawai'i

Aloha,

I think you are pretty much aware on the [pre-import requirements for pet birds](#) entering the State. On the certificate of veterinary inspection you missed "the bird is free from ectoparasite" statement. The import permit from Plant Quarantine can be hand carried by your friend. The Poultry and Bird Import Permit must be attached securely outside the crate/cage of the bird.

Upon arrival here in Honolulu, the bird will be delivered by the airline ramp agent straight to our office. If the airline allows the bird in cabin, inform your friend to surrender or turn in his pet bird to the airline personnel before deplaning. Your friend cannot bring his bird to our office for the inspection; this is against the State law.

The bird will be released from our office if it meets all the import requirements, and after inspection. It will be released on a 30-day provisional quarantine which will be done at your friend's home or premise.

The release hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. only, seven days a week.

**Check the attachment for the complete pre-import requirements for pet birds entering the State.** For further assistance call our office at (808) 837-8092 and ask for an inspector to help you.

Mahalo,

Jose Pascual  
Livestock Inspector